L.I. Scheme from Almatti Reservoir

22. Sri M. M. SAJJAN (Muddebihal).—

Will the Minister of State for Major Irrigation be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether Government is contemplating any L.I. scheme from Almatti Reservior ;

(*b*) if so, the details of the scheme ;

(*c*) if not, whether they will take it up immediately in view of the scarcity conditions ?

Sri H. N. NANJE GOWDA (Minister of State for Major Irrigation).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) and (*c*) do not arise in view of reply to clause (*a*).

Calling Attention to Matters of Urgent Public Importance

re : death of a Harijan boy at Somwarpet village in Chamarajanagar Taluk

Sri KAGODU THIMMAPPA.—I call the attention of the Hon. Chief Minister to the death of a Harijan boy at Somvarpet village in Chamarajnagar Taluk.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Minister for Public Works and Electricity).—

On behalf of the Hon. Chief Minister I make the following statement :

On 25-2-1973, Patel Krishnappa of Somvarpet village reported at Chamarajanagar East Police Station to the effect that on 24-2-1973 at 12 noon one Sri Parvathaiah, Harijan by caste of Somvarpet took his sickly boy aged six years to Siragally Thopu where God Saneswara is worshipped, to get the boy cured of the disease. It appears that the priest, Sri. Ranga Shetty lifted the boy by his neck, roughly handled him in an attempt to invoke divine grace and threw him to Parvathaiah who caught hold of the boy. In the process of this rough handling, the sickly boy died. A case in Crime No. 20/73 under section 302 I.P.C. is registered and is being investigated. Accused Ranga Shetty was arrested on 9-3-1973 ond remanded to judicial custody till 19-3-1973. The Superintendent of Police, Mysore District has visited the scene of occurence and is supervising the investigation.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕಾಗೋಡು ತಿಮ್ಮಪ್ಪ.—ದಿನಾಂಕ 25-2-1973ರಂದು ನಡೆದಂಥ ಘಟನೆ ತಮ್ಮ ಹೇಳಿಕೆ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಇದು 24ರಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆದುದು, 25ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪೋಲೀಸ್ ಸ್ಟೇಷನ್ನಿಗೆ ಇದರ ಸುದ್ದಿಯನ್ನು ಮುಟ್ಟಿಸಿದ್ದು ಮತ್ತು ಅಪರಾಧಿಯನ್ನು 9ನೇ ತಾರೀಖಿನಲ್ಲಿ ದಸ್ತಗಿರಿ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೇವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೀರಿ.